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Dear Client:

This is in response to your request for information relative to the quality of the performance of laboratory tests offered by the Michigan State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (MSU VDL).

The MSU VDL is accredited by the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD) as a full-service animal diagnostic laboratory, all species. The quality standard used for accreditation incorporates the principles of the World Organization for Animal Health (Office International des Epizooties) (OIE) document “Quality Standard and Guidelines for Veterinary Laboratories: Infectious Diseases” into the AAVLD’s Requirements for an Accredited Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory AC1 v 2016-07. Our Quality Assurance program is directed by a Quality Assurance Manager, who oversees the program and reports directly to the MSU VDL Director, a Veterinarian and Diplomate of the American college of Veterinary Pathologists (DACVP). The Quality Assurance Unit ensures that all tests performed by MSU VDL laboratories are appropriately controlled. One part of this effort is ongoing participation in a variety of proficiency test programs to confirm the accuracy of our test results. For example, our laboratories participate in programs administered by the National Veterinary Services Laboratories, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, College of American Pathologists, and Veterinary Laboratory Associates.

A copy of our current AAVLD accreditation certificate, accredited through December 31, 2022, is attached. If you have questions, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Rachel Reams, DVM, PhD, DACVP
Laboratory Director

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The American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians Accreditation Committee
certifies that

Michigan State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

Has met the standard for Full Accreditation / All species

Expires December 31, 2022

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